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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This Response is filed responsive to the final Office action mailed on September 26, 2006. In view of the comments set forth below, the Applicant contend that all of the pending claims are patentable and in condition for allowance.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.